FURUNO INTRODUCES REMOTE CONTROLLER AND NEW SOFTWARE THAT DELIVERS FULL TACTILE CONTROL FOR NAVNET TZTOUCH

Camas, WA — June 19, 2014. When Furuno added their Black Box system to their NavNet TZtouch family, it provided a newfound flexibility for captains that wanted a TZtouch system on larger displays. Shortly after that, Furuno introduced their new line of Multi-touch Marine Monitors that ranged in size from 17-24 inches. Customers then came back to Furuno requesting the added flexibility of viewing and controlling their TZtouch displays from a remote position. While Furuno offers their free “NavNet Remote” app for the iPad, some customers feel there is just no substitute for good, old-fashioned buttons and tactile control. To accommodate their requests, Furuno is now introducing the all-new MCU002 Remote Control Unit.

The MCU002 Remote Controller is compatible for use with the entire NavNet TZtouch series, including the TZTBB Black Box, as well as the TZT14 and TZT9 MFD. This controller really benefits installations where the displays are recessed and/or mounted a bit out of conventional reach. The design of the controller is extremely compact and light, allowing it to be installed anywhere, even as an “Armchair Controller”, if desired.

This remote control gives you access to all NavNet TZtouch features and controls, including Chart Plotting functions, like panning, zooming, and route creation. You also can control the Radar, Fish Finder, NavPilot autopilot (when interfaced), RotoKey menu functionality, and even custom page displays. The MCU002 does not replace touch control (unless you want it to), it simply enhances it! So when you mount this remote alongside your currently installed TZT14 or TZT9 TZtouch display, it will give you direct, instant access to tactile controls, which can be critical in rough seas. At $180 MSRP, this remote control is a really inexpensive way to get direct control of your MFD. The only thing you’ll need to do is make sure TZtouch MFD’s are updated with the very latest operating software, version 3.12 or above. Check out Furuno’s MCU002 guided tour video here: http://youtu.be/1XkDukIAZr8.

Speaking of software, Furuno has just released version 3.12 of their TZtouch Software. This latest version of software enables operation with the MCU002 remote control and offers new features like optimized active route synchronization between
NavNet 3D and MaxSea TimeZero software; auto transmission power setting for the DFF1-UHD CHIRP sounder; and enhanced on-screen DSC call and position indication. The software can be easily downloaded from their web site at www.FurunoUSA.com and installed onto each of your displays, or you can contact a Furuno dealer and hire them to update the system for you. Furuno even has a video explaining how to update your software: http://youtu.be/x8-L5gik9hQ

Furuno is committed to their customers and it shows by the continual software updates and new peripheral products they continue to release for the NavNet TZtouch system. If you own a system and haven’t updated the software yet, now’s a great time to do it and while you’re at it, why not gain complete control of your TZtouch system with the amazingly versatile and extremely affordable MCU002 Remote Control unit.

To learn more about Furuno’s new MCU002 Remote Control for NavNet TZtouch, or the complete line of quality Furuno marine electronics, see your local Furuno dealer or contact: Furuno U.S.A. at www.FurunoUSA.com

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